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VIA ELECTRONIC-DELIVERY

Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Progress Energy Carolinas, Incorporated Requesting Approval of Traffic Signal Service (Metered) Schedule TFS-13
Docket No. 2009-273-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the above-referenced filing and has no objection to Progress Energy Carolinas, Incorporated's ("Company") request for Approval of Traffic Signal Service (Metered) Schedule TFS-13. Traffic signals are currently being converted from incandescent lighting to light-emitting diode ("LED") sources. This conversion will produce significant reductions in energy consumption as well as reduce maintenance cost. Under the existing Schedule TSS, the Company serves customers on an unmetered service rider because there is a fixed wattage requirement of incandescent lighting. LED lighting is different in that each color on the traffic light has different wattage requirements. This makes the monthly consumption difficult to estimate which leads to the need of a metered service.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

John W. Flitter

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